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FOREST & ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 18th March 2010

No. 5404—IAFFN-8/2009-F. & E.—Consequent upon the Constitution (74th Amendment) Act, 1992 which has brought Urban Forestry, Protection of the Environment and Promotion of Ecological aspects under the purview of Urban Local Bodies and in pursuance of the State Cabinet Resolution No. 25566—Tax-16/2000-H.U.D., dated the 3rd November 2006 published in the *Gazette of Orissa* vide No. 1637, dated the 18th November 2006 it is hereby decided that:

- 1. All plans, programmes, schemes and budgets related to urban forestry, protection of the environment and promotion of ecological aspects within the jurisdiction of Urban Local Bodies (U.L.Bs.) shall be approved by the concerned U.L.Bs.
- 2. The Divisional Forest Officers (D.F.Os.) will be responsible for undertaking urban forestry, protection of the environment and promotion of ecology. D.F.O. or authorized representative of the concerned Division will attend the meetings of Municipal Corporations. The meetings of Municipalities/ N.A.Cs. at District/Division headquarters shall be attended by the D.F.O./Assistant Conservator of Forest (A.C.F.) of the Division. The meetings of Municipalities/N.A.Cs. at Subdivisional/Block level will be attended by the Range Officer (R.O.) concerned.
- 3. The Forest Division will remain accountable to the concerned U.L.B. for ensuring effective and efficient implementation of programmes and schemes related to urban forestry, protection of the environment and promotion of ecology.

This arrangement will come into effect from the date of notification.

This supersedes the earlier Notification No. 5249—IAFFN-18/2005-F. & E., dated the 31st March 2008.

By order of the Governor UPENDRA NATH BEHERA

Principal Secretary to Government